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Transmittal of Continuation Patent Application  
for Filing Under 37 CFR §1.53(b)

Box Patent Application  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application by inventors: Sharat Singh, Tracy Matray, Ahmed Chenna, and entitled:

## Sets of Generalized Target-Binding e-tag Probes

1. Enclosed are:

- One stamped, self-addressed postcard for PTO datestamp.
- Certificate of Express Mail.
- One utility patent application containing text pages 1-71 and 45 Sheets of drawings.
- A color coded copy of the application indicating that various sections of the application are derived from particular priority applications. Sections that appear in black are derived from USSN 09/303,029 (docket number 0225-0033.30); Sections that appear in blue are derived from USSN 09/561,579 (docket number 0225-0033.31); Sections that appear in green are derived from USSN 09/602,586 (docket number 0225-0033.32); Sections that appear in purple are derived from USSN 09/684,386 and 09/698,846 (docket numbers 0225-0033.33 and 0225-0033.34, which have the same specification). The text that appears in red represents corrections or explanatory language.
- Information Disclosure Statement with copy of PTO-1449 from parent application Serial No. 09/698,846 filed 27 October 2000.
- Sequence listing, diskette and matching declaration.
- Declaration of Inventorship (unsigned).

2. Amendment

- Please enter the enclosed Preliminary Amendment before calculating the filing fee. It is understood that only amendments reducing the number of claims will be entered for this purpose.
- Please cancel original claims \*, inclusive, before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim should be present for filing purposes.)

3. Extension of Time

- A petition for extension of time has been filed in the parent to extend the pendency of the parent to \* (copy enclosed).

Conditional Petition for Extension of Time An Extension of Time is requested to provide for timely filing if required to establish copendency with the parent after all papers filed herewith have been considered.

4. U.S. Priority

This application is a continuation of 09/303,029 filed 30 April 1999; 09/561,579 filed 28 April 2000; 09/602,586 filed 21 June 2000; 09/684,386 filed 04 October 2000; and 09/698,846 filed 27 October 2000, all of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

5. Foreign Priority

Priority of Application No. \* filed in \* on \* is claimed under 35 USC §119.  
 A certified copy of this priority document is enclosed.

6. Prior Documents Still In Effect

This application and parent application Serial No. \* filed \* are assigned of record to \*, as recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Reel \* and Frame \* on \*.  
 Power of Attorney in the above-identified prior application is to \*, Reg. No. \*, and the other attorneys or agents identified therein.

7. Entity Status

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR §1.27

8. Fees  
 The filing fee has been calculated taking into account any amendments in section 2 above:

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			Rate	Fee	Rate	Fee
Basic Fee			\$355.00	or		\$710.00
Total Claims	20 - 20	0	0 x \$ 9 =	\$ 00.00	or	x \$ 18 =
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A check in the amount of \$490.00 is enclosed to cover the Filing Fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 to Deposit Account 04-0531.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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